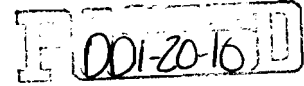


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From: SUE.PARROTT@palmettogba.com
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 1:04 PM
To: Contact
Subject: PSC Website Comments:



I was greatly disheartened to learn of SCE&G's proposal for a 9.5% rate hike. Whether it is divided into 3 phases to "ease the impact on customers" is irrelevant. What matters is that the majority of the general consumer population cannot afford another rate hike. It's too bad the last one was soooo long ago, in 2007. My co-workers and I have not had a raise or even a cost of living increase in 4 years, yet everything else I purchase has doubled or even tripled in price!

While my husband and I are fortunate that we both work, what about all our elderly population on a fixed income? Or the disabled? What will they do? Someone has to put their foot down and "just say no". As a voting constituent in this state, I am appalled that every time I turn around, there is another tax increase going on somewhere in this state/city/county! Just because SCE&G wants to recover the cost of complying with government environmental regulations doesn't mean they have to pass on this expense to the consumer! Bite the bullet! Maybe their board of directors, upper level management, CEO, president, etc., should not receive bonuses; or maybe they can take a cut in their own paycheck!

I sure hope you will keep the voice of the customers in mind when you ponder this request.

Sincerely,

Sue Parrott
Columbia

Easterling, Deborah

From: Zarella, Catherine [Catherine.Zarella@dss.sc.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 2:09 PM
To: Contact
Subject: PSC Website Comments: ABout proposed rate increases

How can you justify rate increases for utilities when the unemployment is so high, workers are getting unpaid furloughs and pay cuts, no new improvement to services are being made, and they are building bigger new beautiful corporate headquarters. It's time to put the breaks on and understand that we cannot afford higher utility costs. When we try to conserve energy you permit rate increases that put us further in the hole. They have a monopoly on the service they provide and from what I can see by your commission roster the foxes are watching the chicken coop. BAD BUSINESS.

Easterling, Deborah

From: davejen@atlanticbb.net
Sent: Saturday, January 16, 2010 7:11 PM
To: Contact
Cc: ltgov.sc.gov
Subject: SCE&G rates

To whom it may concern:

I'm not sure what world South Carolina Electric & Gas is living in, but if you grant another hike in rates, people will not be able to afford electricity or gas. I'm sorry, but I am not on that bandwagon that says, the economy is great, the recession is no longer. Our family continues to pay excessive prices for groceries and gas has just gone up thirty cents withing the past 3 months. My Mom is living with us now because the so-called recovered economy has hit her hard. I don't believe people are going to stand for this! Somewhere along the way, someone has to give the middle class and the elderly a break! So far, I'm not seeing it!

Wake Up!

Jenny Lind McRae
Aiken, SC

From: GAMBLE, ROBERT [mailto:robgamble@allstate.com]
Sent: Friday, January 15, 2010 12:09 PM
To: Contact
Subject: Concerned Consumer: SCE&G rate hike filings

Hello.

I am a longtime SCE&G customer. I have both a residential and commercial account with them. (I have no choice!!)

As a Lexington County business owner and resident, we always have to be prudent with our spending and am constantly watching the bottom line.

I often read or hear in the media about SCE&G filing for rate increase approval from the SC Public Service Commission. I have always been silent on the issue, but I think it is now time for me and others like me to take note of what seems to be going on. I just read today in The State paper that SCE&G has a new rate filing pending with the commission for a \$12 average monthly increase. I just want to make sure that you don't just "rubber stamp" approve another rate increase submittal. As a consumer and business owner, I can't take anymore rate increases by them.

The entire purpose of this Public Service Commission is to provide protection to the public consumer when these companies present these rate increase proposals for your review. I would encourage this Commission to get tough with these guys and perhaps **decline** their request and perhaps suggest that they look within their own organization to cut waste that may free up this additional money that they "must have".

As a business owner, I have had to make some tough decisions during this recession in order to remain profitable. These decisions involved cutting back expenses and reallocating assets to remain afloat. It just seems to me that SCE&G, in particular, always gets what they want from the Commission. I would like to see that change. Don't let SCE&G run over the consumer!

Remember what your Commission's purpose is foremost, and act accordingly.

Thanks,

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Public Service Commission of SC.
Columbia, SC

Dear Sirs,

I am 87 years old and live on a Pension and SS.I and a lot older people live from month to month.I think that if you give the POWER CO a raise on Electricity, you will HURT the Eldery. The last time I wrote you was over a year ago, It was about the Weather Normal Act or WNA Which suppose to last for 1 Year. So far it has been almost 5 years now. What I would like to know is When are you Going TO TAKE IT OFF?. Another thing is about THE METERS I have been paying on the METERS FOR 30 YEARS, I think I ought to OWN THEM BY NOW. AND A LOT MORE PEOPLE.

Respectly
GEORGE E KAMMERER
2676 ORCHID AVE,
NORTH CHARLESTON, SC 29405



PS; This is for all the old PEOPLE.

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